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PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Patrick RAMBAUD

Confirmation No. 5796

Serial No. 09/685,961

GROUP 1631

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Examiner N. Galitsky

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING
BATCHES OF IMMUNOCOMPETENT CELLS
COLLECTED FROM HUMAN OR ANIMAL
SUBJECTS FOR DEFERRED USE, AND
RELATED THERAPY METHODS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of June 17, 2002,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

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--1. (amended) A method for managing batches of
immunocompetent cells collected from human or animal subjects for
deferred use, comprising for each of said human or animal
subjects the following steps:

- conditioning and preserving successively collected
batches of immunocompetent cells, into one or more storage
centers, and

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